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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING INK TO AN INK JET

PRINTING SYSTEM

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed May 2, 2006. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 5.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's deposit account no. 08-2025.

OK to enter-LSL.